

Clear, warmer tonight and tomorrow.

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## PRESIDENT IN SERIOUS ERROR, CHANDLER SAYS

Repeats Statement Which  
Roosevelt Has Declared  
to Be Deliberate  
Falsehood.

## MAKES FURTHER CHARGE IN LETTER TO TILLMAN

President Sent Him to Tillman  
and Did Criticize  
Spooner, Knox and  
Foraker.

Senator Tillman this afternoon received and made public in the Senate this afternoon a letter from ex-Senator Chandler in reply to the President's charge that Chandler had uttered a "deliberate and unqualified falsehood," in regard to the recent conference at the White House. The letter says in part:

"My Dear Mr. Tillman:

"As the telephonic denial by President Roosevelt sent to the Senate through Senator Lodge remains in the Congressional Record of May 12, it seems to me that I should take some notice of it, which I do by now affirming the essential truth of the statement I made to you and which you repeated in the Senate. Much as I regret that the hasty action of Senator Lodge and the President has forced an issue between the President and myself, the extreme language he used makes such issue unavoidable and I cannot shrink from or evade it, although I cannot use toward the Chief Executive of the nation language like his own. Upon our respective statements, I submit the controversy with confidence to the judgment of those who know me.

Evidence of High Order.

"For those who do not know me there is fortunately circumstantial evidence of a high order, which shows that the President could not have omitted to make in substance the statement which he denies. Nor could he have then made the whole statement which he now substitutes. His impulsiveness has led him into serious error upon a point of no importance in itself, but only as affecting his attack upon me. I give to you a further statement as follows:

"Prior to March 31 I had not seen the President for a long time. I did not go to the White House as a representative of Senator Tillman, but solely because the President summoned me there by the letter from Mr. Loeb, and I waited for him to express his object. It was unmistakably stated to be communication with Mr. Tillman, who had the rate bill in charge, and other Democrats of the Senate, for the purpose of securing the adoption in the railroad rate bill of a court review clause limiting the inquiry to the question whether the commission had exceeded its authority or had violated the constitutional rights of the carrier. I knew, and he knew, that it was impossible for him to open conferences with Mr. Tillman unless he was fully satisfied that the President had absolutely given up all intention of coming to an agreement with the Senators who had been making the contest for an unlimited court review, and in stating his object he said that he had paid from them finally, naming Senators Knox, Foraker, and Spooner as the Senators who had made the arguments in the Senate to sustain that view, and he used, as nearly as I can recollect, the language given in my statement repeated by Mr. Tillman.

"When an hour later I visited Mr. Tillman and told him my mission from the President I found him distrustful and suspicious. He questioned me closely

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## THE WEATHER REPORT.

The western depression is now central over the Dakotas, western Nebraska, and Colorado. It gives indications of slowing up and diminishing in strength. Pressure is high over the middle Atlantic States, and an area of high pressure is moving northward along the Washington and Oregon coasts. Light rain has fallen in Florida, the middle Mississippi Valley, and locally in the Dakotas, the northern Rocky mountain region, and in the Pacific coast States.

Generally fair weather is indicated for tonight and Thursday in all parts of the Washington forecast district, except eastern Florida, and along the lower lakes, where showers are probable.

Temperature changes will be unimportant.

THE SUN.

Sun sets today.....7:06

Sun rises tomorrow.....4:46

TIDE TABLE.

High tide today.....2:35 p.m.

Low tide today.....9:18 a.m.

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## PROMINENT NEWPORT VISITOR



LADY MARY SACKVILLE.

## LADY SACKVILLE TO WED SOLDIER

Noblewoman, Well Known  
in America, Engaged to  
British Captain.

LONDON, May 16.—Members of the most exclusive circles in English society are very much interested in the report that Lady Mary Sackville, known on both sides of the Atlantic, is engaged to Capt. Henry L. Griffin, of the British army.

Lady Mary, who has been a frequent visitor at Lakewood and Newport, is a member of one of the best known families in England. Little is known of her in America, but she is known in South Africa and is now aide to Sir Gerald Strickland, governor of Tasmania.

Lady Strickland is a sister of Lady Mary, and it is said that she acted as an agent of Cupid in bringing about the engagement. The captain and Lady Mary met while on a trip to Tasmania, and the courtship was brief.

The wealth of Lady Mary is considerable, and when her brother, the Earl of De La Warr, was a prominent figure in the financial world he aided her in greatly increasing her estate.

## DENVER ELECTIONS MEANT MILLIONS

Fortunes in Franchises  
Stakes Played for at  
Polls.

DENVER, Col., May 16.—Twenty-five million dollars' worth of franchises was the great stake played for in Denver's local elections yesterday, and corporation slush and bogus tax receipts were distributed like handbills throughout the city. The Denver city tramway company however, according to incomplete returns, has possibly not secured the twenty-year franchise it sought.

The Denver and Northwestern Terminal Company, or Moffatt road, has been granted its franchise by a decisive vote. The Municipal Traction Company was overwhelmingly turned down as a competitor for the tramway. The Denver Terminal, a northern Colorado electric concern, was refused a franchise to enter Denver. The Union Pacific increased terminal franchise petition was turned down.

There is an extraordinary mix-up and the courts will have to settle the problems.

The municipal ownership party carried four wards in the aldermanic fight, the Democrats won two, and the Republicans five, no party having a majority.

## GAMBLE FACTION WINS IN S. DAKOTA

Primaries Indicate Kittredge-Martin  
Wing of Republicans Is  
Defeated.

Senator Gamble of South Dakota was one of the President's early callers this morning. He talked over local matters with the President.

Senator Gamble was in high spirits. He has just received telegrams from political friends in South Dakota indicating a complete victory of the Gamble faction of the Republican party over the Kittredge-Martin machine in the county caucuses, which were held yesterday throughout the State for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county conventions.

From telegrams which I have received," said Senator Gamble, "we won in the county caucuses by 2 to 1. We even carried Minnehaha county, the home of Senator Kittredge. The county conventions will elect delegates to the State convention, which will endorse a candidate for United States Senator. Of course, I am greatly pleased with the results, as it shows that the voters of the State are with us."

The war between Senator Gamble on the one side, and Senator Kittredge, Representative Martin, and Representative Burke, on the other, has been extremely bitter, and there has been no quarter given. Mr. Martin is a candidate to succeed Senator Gamble.

## Bailey Denounces Correspondent as A Malicious Liar

Intimates That Article Published in Western  
Paper Was Authorized by Some One Very  
Close to High Councils at White House.

The Tillman-Bailey-Chandler-White House controversy over the rate bill took a sudden turn of affairs today when Senator Bailey rose to a point of personal privilege in the Senate and denounced the Washington correspondent of a Western newspaper as a malicious and deliberate liar.

The paper yesterday contained an article under a Washington date line, which, in substance, said that Senator Bailey was a stumbling block in the way of having a perfected rate bill pass the Senate, and that he stood in the way of an agreement between the Democratic party and the friends of the Dollar-Hepburn bill.

Insinuation of Article.  
The article indicated that Mr. Bailey was playing into the hands of Senator Aldrich by introducing his stringent amendment to the bill prohibiting the issuance of preliminary injunctions, and that his argument in support of his amendment was in accordance with an agreement with Mr. Aldrich.

The writer said that Mr. Bailey could not come out openly against this measure on account of a possible chance of his being defeated for re-election to the Senate, when his present term expires, and that his part in this game of rate legislation was done secretly and in a way to disrupt his party and prevent Mr. Tillman from gaining control of it.

The secretary read a portion of the article referring principally to Mr. Bailey. After he had concluded Mr. Bailey was recognized by the chair, and said that it was not his purpose to take an active part in this question of veracity between ex-Senator Chandler, Mr. Tillman, and the White House. He said that he had not conferred with the President, either directly or indirectly, and that he had refrained from expressing any opinion upon this question, as it was not a part of his fight.

Close to White House.

He said that he understood that the author of the article appearing in the paper referred to was close to the White House, and that he generally spoke with authority. He said he would not charge that the story had been given by anybody connected with the rate bill one way or another. He said, however, that the article, its author, and the person or persons from whom he got his information were unqualified, malicious, and deliberate liars, and he did not care how high an office the person from whom the correspondent obtained his information held.

During the reading of the article and Mr. Bailey's short speech the Senate was a high place. Mr. Bailey rose to a point of personal privilege and said that as his name was connected with the story he desired to have the article all printed in the Record for the information of the Senate. Without objection it was so ordered.

Scored by Tillman.

Senator Tillman said that in the newspaper article he had counted eight distinct falsehoods concerning himself—one to which he especially desired to call attention. That was that he had ever lost faith in the integrity, honesty, and fair dealing of Mr. Bailey.

He denies this emphatically, and said that he had never had the slightest suspicion of the Texas Senator.

Mr. Tillman characterized the correspondent as a muckraker. "What house the handle goes into or whose hand holds the handle I don't care to discuss," he exclaimed.

He said that the campaign of falsehoods "by the hirelings of the Republican machine is only indicative of the desperate straits some people have brought themselves into."

Bailey Hints at White House.

Senator Bailey again took the floor, and announced that a similar statement to that which he had denounced he discovered, had been published in New York this morning. He wanted to say that among all the newspaper correspondents, most of whom were as honorable as the Senators on the floor, the two "liars" were the correspondents of these two papers.

Therefore," he said, "the suspicion is raised that the story proceeded from the White House. I hope for the honor of my country that it does not proceed from the President himself."

He went on to say that the President should take steps to prevent Senators from being slandered by his subordinates.

"The miserable wretch," he continued, "who communicated this information to these papers, in an effort to slander me, no matter how high his office, shall lose his place, even if he was inspired by his chief."

Massacre of Christians

## Is Reported From China

French Missionaries Are Victims of Anti-  
Foreign Sentiment in Anhui Province.  
Details Are Meager.

PEKIN, May 16.—Meager reports reached here today of a massacre of Christians in Anhui province.

It is said that the victims are French missionaries. The French charge missionaries is making vain efforts to learn the details of the atrocity. He has exhausted every means of communication

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